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2021 IRS Retirement Plan Contribution Limits

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RETIREMENT PLAN LIMITS	2021	2020
Elective contribution limit for 401(k), 403(b), and most 457 plans	\$19,500	\$19,500
Catch-up contribution limit for 401(k), 403(b), and most 457 plans (employees over the age of 50)	\$6,500	\$6,500
Defined contribution limit under Section 415(c)(1)(A)	\$58,000	\$57,000
Annual compensation limit under Sections 401(a)(17), 404(l), 408(k)(3)(C), and 408(k)(6)(D)(ii)	\$290,000	\$285,000
Annual compensation limit for highly-compensated employees	\$130,000	\$130,000

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